



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 2781  
Kazuto HIROKAWA : Docket No. 2003\_0954A  
Serial No. 10/616,989 : Group Art Unit 3723  
Filed July 11, 2003 : Examiner Hadi Shakeri

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated May 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows.